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Ms. Deborah Taylor Tate, Chairman TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Re: Tennessee Coalition of Rural Incumbent Telephone Companies and Cooperatives Request for Suspension of Wireline to Wireless Number Portability Obligations Pursuant to Section 251(f)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934, as Amended; Docket No. 03-00633

Dear Chairman Tate:

During the discussions in this docket on Thursday, May 13, 2004, the Directors selected the dates of June 21 - 23 for a hearing. Since that time, we have determined that our primary non-party witness, Mr. Steve Watkins, is not available to testify that week. He would, however, be available during the week of June 28, although we would have to schedule his testimony around his involvement in depositions in another matter. He is also available July 6 - 9.

In light of Mr. Watkin's unavailability, my clients respectfully request that alternative hearing dates be established. We regret any inconvenience this may cause, and will be glad to assist in obtaining new dates.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number shown above.

Thanking you in advance for your assistance with this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

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